

## City of Asheville, NC

### **Finance Department**

# Minutes Revenue and Finance Committee April 24, 2007 3:00 p.m.

**Present:** Council Members: Brownie Newman, Chair; Bryan Freeborn, Dr. Carl Mumpower

Staff: Tony McDowell, Sandy Bumgarner, Cheryl Heywood

**Absent**: Benjamin Durant

#### • Approval of Minutes

 Councilman Freeman moved to approve the Minutes of the meeting from the Special Meeting held on April 10<sup>th</sup>. This motion was seconded by Councilman Mumpower and carried unanimously.

#### • <u>Discussion Items</u>

#### Outside Agency Grant Interviews

• The committee interviewed the following outside agencies:

o YMI Cultural Center: Harry Harrison

URTV: Pat Garlinghouse
 Youthful Hand: Pat Griffin
 A-Hope: Howard Stone

The committee made the following outside agency grant funding recommendations:

Agency:	<b>Committee Recommendation</b>
Arts Council:	\$12,500
Art Museum:	\$5,000
Child Abuse Prevention Services	-
Children First	\$22,500
Economic Development Coalition	-
Community Relations Council	\$50,000
Education Coalition	\$10,000
Homeward Bound	\$20,000
Kids Voting	\$1,000
Literacy Council	-
Mediation Center	-
Media Arts Project	\$3,000

Meet the Geeks \$	3,000
NC Stage Company	-
One Youth at a Time	\$7,000
Partners Unlimited, Inc.	\$5,000
Quality Forward \$	10,000
United Way's 211	\$5,000
URTV \$2	25,000 (PEG Funds, not new outside agency grant award)
YWCA of Asheville \$3	10,000
Youthful Hand	\$5,000
YMI Cultural Center	-
Shiloh Community Association	\$6,095

#### • Fees and Charges

- Public Works- Mark Combs
  - Containers
    - The committee recommends an incremental increase of \$3.50 per container to obtain full cost recovery.
  - Quit Claim Deed
    - o The Committee recommends a \$4,000 cost recovery charge.
- Parks and Recreation-Debbie Ivester
  - Bele Chere
    - o The Committee agreed with staff recommendation.
  - Stephens Lee
    - The Committee recommends raising the fee from \$25.00 to \$50.00 for City employees to use the facility at Stephens Lee.
- Water- David Hanks
  - Water Meter fee
    - o The Committee agrees with staff recommendation.

#### Councilman Newman's Proposal on Adjustments to Fees and Charges Policy

• The committee asked that staff from Water, Transit, Planning and Building Safety be available for questions at the next meeting.

#### • Other

- Business Privilege License Fees
  - The Committee recommended approval of proceeding with step two of the phase out of caps on the business privilege license fees so that every business will pay the same rate (as a percentage of their income) regardless of their income.

#### • Meeting Adjournment

• The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.